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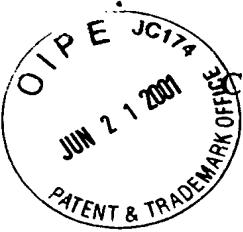
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described and claimed in the attached specification; that this application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in our earlier filed pending applications of which we hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C., Section 120: (1) Serial No. 09/412,466, filed on 05 October 1999; (2) Serial No. 09/416,152, filed on 11 October 1999, which is a continuation-in-part patent application of Serial No. 09/412,466, filed on 05 October 1999; and (3) Serial No. 09/415,802, filed on 11 October 1999, which is a continuation-in-part patent application of Serial No. 09/412,466, filed on 05 October 1999; that as to the subject matter of this application which is common to any said earlier application(s), we do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States before our invention or discovery thereof; that to the best of our knowledge and belief the invention of said common subject matter has not been in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to the earliest of said application(s) or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to the earliest of said application(s), or patented or made the subject of an inventors' certificate in any foreign country prior to the date of the earliest of said application(s) on an application filed by ourselves or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to the earliest of said application(s) in this country; and that no application for patent or inventors'

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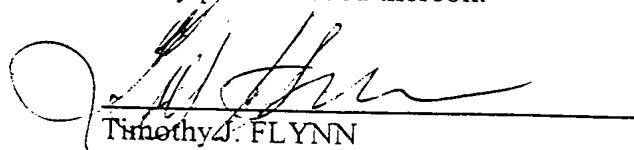
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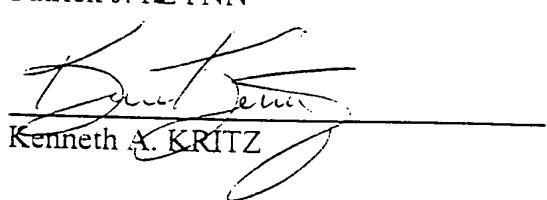
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